



May

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City Council  
1st and 3rd  
Thursday each month.  
Public welcome.  
7 pm, Council Room  
City Hall

State of Idaho Special Olympics will be held in Twin Falls this year for the first time in 45 years.

Competition is set for June 10 and 11

The Wendell Library Used Bookstore will be  
OPEN Friday, May 6 from 11-4 p.m.  
Friday, May 20 from 11-4 p.m.  
375 1st Ave East, Old Ag Building  
Books are \$4 a bag and VCR's are FREE  
Come and Check us out!

May 25th is the last day of this school year.  
Graduation for Wendell High School is May  
25th and graduation for  
Hub City High School is May 26th.  
Congratulations to all graduating Seniors.

Wendell Recreation District is seeking coaches for all leagues for the upcoming season. Our programs depend on volunteer coaches willing to give of their time and talents to help the youth of Wendell. If you are interested in coaching please contact Randy or Beth Andrus at 536-6409, after 6 pm.

Please remember that the city does require permits if you are building a new fence or replacing a fence. Fence permits are \$30.00 and can be obtained at City Hall.

Permits are also required for new buildings or remodels. Anything over 200 square feet requires a permit if you are bringing in any type of ready made shed or carport.

A lot of citizens are asking about the Wendell Police Department and why we don't have one here in town anymore. That is a rumor that started a couple of years ago and seems to just never go away. WENDELL does have a manned police presence in town. It was cost effective to outsource the department as a satellite of the Gooding Co. Sheriff's Office, instead of maintaining everything on our own. The City of Wendell was paying more than double the amount of money to maintain the police department, over what we pay the sheriff's office for the same services. Gooding County Sheriff's Office has four officers that comprise the Wendell Division of Gooding Co. Sheriff's Office. Take notice on the side of the patrol cars and you will see "Wendell Division" painted on them.

### Wendell Food Pantry

is open every Thursday from 4:30 -6 pm. The pantry is open to all. Even if you are not needing the help right now, but you know someone who is, please let them know there is help available right here in Wendell. The food pantry is located at 335 1st Ave East. Anyone wanting to help can donate food, money or time. Please call Chuck Goldberg if you need assistance or would like to help at the food pantry, 404-3353.

Wendell Animal Control held a vaccine clinic April 2 at City Hall, that was very well attended. Claire Tousley DVM, Charles Schabacker DVM from Sawtooth Vet, and Vet Tech Jessica from North Valley Vet, along with Brad and Joanne Christopherson were all on hand to help out. Low cost vaccines, rabies shots, and microchipping was available for both cats and dogs. The clinic was organized by Stephanie Hendrix, our animal control officer for Wendell, and Claire Tousley DVM. The clinic was a great success and they are planning on hosting another one! Watch for a date to be announced. This is a great way to take care of your furkids and keep them healthy. 13 dogs were licensed by the city at this clinic also. Check Wendell Animal Control facebook page for news, updates and information on lost or missing animals (make sure you license your dogs). This is a great way to get the word out if your pet has gone missing.

Wendell Kindergartners are set to tour the town on May 12th. The annual walking tour takes the children through the Wendell Library, Wendell City Hall, Wendell Police Department, Wendell Fire Department, and then on to El Tapatio. This activity teaches the kids about different types of businesses in town and at each stop on the tour they are able to learn about what goes on in a town to make things work. At City Hall they vote on which movie to see at the Fourth of July Movie in the Park. The Police Dept. lets them see inside a "real" police cruiser and hear the sirens and talk to the officers. They always have very interesting questions for the officers. The Fire Department teaches them about fire safety and they get to see all the firetrucks and equipment. Parents and younger siblings often accompany the tour.

Orchard Valley Headstart students here in town "planted" blue and silver pinwheels in the Veteran's Park near the flag pole area. This is done every year in April to help bring awareness to child abuse in America. Many children in our own local area suffer from abuse and neglect. Please be aware of this and watch for signs that something could be amiss and you could possibly be of help. No child should ever be abused or go hungry. Remember, "it takes a village to raise a child".

Happy  
Memorial  
Day

City Hall will be closed May 30th

Don't forget to vote on May 17th in the Primary Election.

## Spring Cleanup

Dumpsters are located at the Lewiston Well area on 4th and Lewiston and behind the old AG Bldg, next to City Hall. They can be used for yard trash and household trash, but no appliances, electronics or tires.

Leaves, branches, weeds, etc. can be burned if you obtain a free burn permit at City Hall prior to any burning. A burn permit is good for ten days, but do not burn after dark.

Unlicensed vehicles are illegal and should be removed from your property. Let's all try to do our part in keeping Wendell a great place to live.

The North Side Journal recently mailed copies of their paper to all PO Boxes in Wendell to get people acquainted with their paper. They plan to begin publishing more articles about Wendell and also Wendell advertising. The paper is free and published once a month. We look forward to reading more about Wendell citizens.

Please welcome Helen Bowman as our new Wendell City Ditch Rider. She has taken over for Lou Logoz who has retired. Lou has been showing Helen the routes and teaching her all the "tricks of the trade". Helen worked for the City of Gooding for several years with their irrigation water. Irrigation water will be available this month. Helen can be reached at 358-4510